

### **This is a Warden Message.**

This Warden Message informs U.S. citizens of a demonstration planned for Wednesday, May 4, 2011, between 14:30 and 15:00 hours in Bern, by an Angolan group (Association Cabindaise en Suisse). The demonstration is over perceived war crimes in Angola. Previous demonstrations by this group in November 2010, and in February and October 2009, were peaceful. The demonstration is expected to be small, with 30 to 50 people standing across the street from the Embassy, holding signs or placards. Local police will be monitoring and providing appropriate security. U. S. citizens should avoid the demonstration area. U.S. citizens who plan to be at the Embassy at this date and time and cannot reschedule their visit should exercise vigilance in the area around the demonstration.

U.S. citizens are reminded that even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and possibly escalate into violence. U. S. citizens are therefore urged to avoid this area if possible, and to exercise caution if within the vicinity. U. S citizens should stay current with media coverage of local events and be aware of their surroundings at all times.

U. S. citizens traveling abroad should regularly monitor the U.S. Embassy's web site as well as the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Consular Affairs web site at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov), where the current Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Country Specific Information can be found. The U.S. Embassy also encourages U.S. citizens to review to "A Safe Trip Abroad," found at [http://travel.state.gov/travel/tips/safety/safety\\_1747.html](http://travel.state.gov/travel/tips/safety/safety_1747.html), which includes valuable security information for those both living and traveling abroad. In addition to information on the Internet, travelers may obtain up-to-date information on security conditions by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the U.S. and Canada, or outside the U.S. and Canada on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444.

The U.S. Embassy in Switzerland is located at Sulgeneckstrasse 19, 3007 Bern. In the event of an emergency or if more information is needed, U.S. Embassy Bern may be contacted at Tel. (41) (31) 357-7011. Additional information may also be found on the U.S. Embassy web site at <http://bern.usembassy.gov>.